

**The City of Hemet Presents the
"Caroling Nights and Magical Lights" 2021
Christmas Parade
on Saturday, December 4, 2021 at 5:00pm**



Parade Application:

ENTRIES MUST BE DECORATED APPROPRIATELY FOR THE THEME!

NO SANTA CLAUS SUITS ON ANY FLOAT OR IN ANY GROUP, AND NO POLITICAL CAMPAIGN ENTRIES!

Type of Entry (select one):

☐ MS Band ☐ Float ☐ Motorized ☐ School Marching Unit ☐ Music on your Entry?

☐ Antique Auto ☐ Decorated Walking Unit

☐ Animals (Must provide your own "pooper scooper" - NO EXCEPTIONS)

Description of Animals: _____ Length of Entry: _____

of People # of Vehicles: _____ (Please include the length of the vehicle & trailer)

☐ Check if you have a flatbed, semi or other large vehicle

Fee: _____ \$30 (non-profit, auto clubs, equestrian) _____ \$50 commercial

* All entries by HUSD & SJUSD are exempt from fees

Contact Person(s) Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Entry Description: (for the announcers):

Entries will not be accepted without a description.

Submit Completed Application & Entry Fee to City of Hemet, 445 E. Florida, Ave., Hemet

(Monday-Thursday 7:30 am to 5:00 pm) ALL ENTRY FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 26, 2021 BY 4PM OR A \$25 LATE FEE WILL BE CHARGED.

NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED THE WEEK OF THE PARADE.

For any questions, please contact Jackie Aboud at (909) 352-0019 or jaboud@hemetca.gov



Hemet Christmas Parade Rules and Regulations

WELCOME! All those interested in participating in the Hemet Christmas Parade must fully complete Parade Application form and submit it to the Parade Committee by the filing deadline. The Parade Committee will determine whether entrants are eligible to participate based on the criteria set forth below. Please enjoy the parade in the spirit of the season and remember to be safe.

1. **Eligibility Criteria:** Only entries determined by the Parade Committee to satisfy all of the following criteria will be permitted to participate in the parade. All decisions of the Parade Committee are final. The criteria are:

- a. Entrants must specify a single responsible person for their entry and participants.
- b. Entrants must have submitted a complete Parade Application to the Parade Committee and provide all other information requested by the Parade committee. The entry fee must accompany the application form. Entry fees are non-refundable.
- c. Completed application forms received after the deadline will be charged a \$25 late fee. No Entries Will Be Accepted The Week Of The Parade.
- d. Entries must display or represent the Christmas Spirit and Parade Theme.
- e. Entries should actively involve people where possible. Floats without people are permitted where they meet all other criteria.
- f. Entrants that include live animals MUST have at least one person assigned to follow the animal and properly remove any animal waste. Entrants with live animals who do not have an assigned pooper scooper present prior to the start of and at all times during the Parade will be pulled out of the parade lineup.
- g. Floats should be built by the entrant.
- h. Floats and similar units:
 - i. Must be pulled, driven or built around a motorized vehicle. Animal drawn carriages and trailers may be appropriate.
 - ii. Must be built and securely affixed to a flatbed or trailer frame.
 - iii. Must be capable of being safely pulled or driven through the parade route.
 - iv. May contain mechanical displays.

2. **Parade Awards and Prizes:**

- a. All decisions of Parade judges and/or officials are final.
- b. Entries will be judged according to originality, representation of Parade theme, design and use of materials.
- c. Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: Floats, High School Band, Middle School Band, Animal, Motorized, Non-Motorized, Antique Automobile, School and Best Decorated Walking Unit.



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3. **Parade Rules:** All participants must comply with the following Parade Rules during the Parade and related events. Failure to comply will result in disqualification from any awards or prizes and ejection from the Parade. The rules are as follows:

- a. Obscene or otherwise offensive conduct not suitable for family audience is prohibited.
- b. No non-holiday themed entries.
- c. Entry may NOT contain a SANTA CLAUS of any type, living or otherwise, so there is no confusion with the Official Hemet Parade Santa - at the end of the parade. Santa hats are acceptable.
- d. All entries and participants must follow the direction of Parade Officials.
- e. All entries and participants must stage in the designated staging area, follow the official Parade route, and end at the designated end of the Parade established by the Parade Committee.
- f. Participants may not join or leave an entry or get on or off a float or similar unit once the entry has started down the Parade route.
- g. Participants shall not change or substitute the content or substance of their initial design or theme during the duration of the parade as was presented at start of parade.
- h. Participants shall not move ahead of the entry in front of them either before or during the parade.
- i. Entries performing for the judges must perform in a forward motion. There will be no stopping in front of the judges or at any other point along the Parade route.
- j. Wrapped, store bought candy may be handed out to the Parade audience by having participants walking along the curb line. Throwing candy or other items is prohibited.
- k. The distribution of handouts (such as brochures, coupons, and cards) to the Parade audience is prohibited. These materials end up on the streets and sidewalks creating a trash problem for Department of Public Works.
- l. Entrants with live animals are responsible for properly cleaning up animal waste during the Parade. Animal waste creates an unwanted nuisance for Parade participants.
- m. You may not drive into the staging area to drop off children. You must park outside the area and walk them to their entry.
- n. Check in and Drop Off: Check in will be at Gilbert and Acacia. Drop off for bands will be at the Forest River RV Plant. Enter from Mayberry Ave and exit west on Mayberry. Temporary Parking for parents dropping off children in the parade will be in Salvation Army Parking lot.
- o. Car Clubs and Motorcycle entries must be proceed two across during the parade route. No single line of entries. No Exceptions!

4. **Notification of Line-Up:** will be mailed to each entry.

5. **Rain Date:** None! Parade will occur rain or shine!



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Fee Schedule:

Standard Entry (civic and non-profit groups, auto clubs & equestrians)	\$30.00
Commercial Entry (Business Promotion)	\$50.00
All Entries by Hemet USD and San Jacinto USD are exempt from fees:	\$00.00

THIS PAGE MUST BE SIGNED, DATED, AND RETURNED WITH PARADE APPLICATION.

YOU MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF A:

- 1) VALID CA DRIVER'S LICENSE (DL),
- 2) CA ID CARD,
- 3) US STATE ISSUED DL OR ID, OR
- 4) PASSPORT OF APPLICANT RESPONSIBLE FOR ENTRY

The undersigned hereby certifies that they have read and accept the Hemet Christmas Parade Application Form and Rules and Regulations and, for themselves and the other participants in their entry, agree to abide by them. The undersigned, for themselves and the other participants in their entry hereby waive and release the City of Hemet and the Hemet Christmas Parade Committee from any loss, damage, injury, expense of liability the undersigned, its participants and its entry, may experience as a result of participation in the Parade, and also understand and agree that neither the City of Hemet nor the Parade Committee will be held responsible for theft, damage or injury during the Parade and Parade events.

Signature of Entry's Responsible Person

Name (Printed)

Name of Entry

Date Signed

